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1. Transport company executives in the Soviet Zone of Austria are being summoned to local Russian komendatury, where they are requested to submit at the earliest possible date a detailed account of the goods which have been imported from eastern countries. These reports are to cover the period from 1942 to the present. The transport companies are seeking advice from the Chamber of Commerce on how to proceed.
2. [REDACTED] comments that this move of the Soviets is causing some anxiety in the Trade Ministry, which fears that the Soviets are seeking to substantiate their claim that Austria received large quantities of war booty collected by the German Army in eastern countries, which the Soviets maintain should be returned.

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